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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE OECD COUNCIL WORKING PARTY ON PORTUGAL

1. SECGEN VAN LENNEP GAVE FOLLOWING PAPER ON POSSIBLE
OECD COUNCIL AD HOC WORKING PARTY ON PORTUGAL TO
PORTUGUESE AMB. BELLO PRIOR TO HIS RETURN TO PORTUGAL
LAST WEEK:

BEGIN TEXT

PRINCIPLES

AN AD-HOC WORKING PARTY COULD BE SET UP AT PORTUGAL'S
REQUEST BECAUSE OF HER INTEREST IN RECEIVING AND
COORDINATING INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT. THIS IMPLIES THAT
PORTUGAL WILL ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE WORKING
PARTY.

THE WORKING PARTY RESPONDS TO A NEED FOR SYSTEMATIC,
ACTION-ORIENTED INFORMATION ON POSSIBLE AREAS OF INTER-
NATIONAL SUPPORT FOR PORTUGAL.

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BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS COULD BE ENCOURAGED ON THE BASIS OF THIS INFORMATION EXCHANGE. THE WORKING PARTY WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO SET AND MEET TARGETS CONCERNED WITH THE VOLUME AND CONDITIONS OF AID.

PARTICIPATION

ALL INTERESTED MEMBER COUNTRIES OF OECD AND THE E.E.C.

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONCERNED INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING FINANCIAL OR TECHNICAL SUPPORT SUCH AS IBRD, EIB, UN, IMF, COULD ATTEND IN A CAPACITY TO BE DEFINED.

CHAIRMANSHIP

POSSIBLY A HEAD OF DELEGATION.

TASKS

THE WORKING PARTY'S TASKS MIGHT INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

TO PROMOTE A PROPER APPRECIATION OF THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS BEING FACED BY PORTUGAL.

TO PROVIDE AN INFORMAL FORUM FOR PORTUGAL TO MAKE KNOWN ITS NEEDS FOR INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT.

TO BRING ABOUT MUTUAL AWARENESS OF MEMBER COUNTRIES' AND INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES' MEASURES AND/OR INTENTIONS OF SUPPORT FOR PORTUGAL.

TO MOBILISE ANY SUPPORT REQUIRED FOR PORTUGAL'S OVERSEAS COMMITMENTS, AND HELP ORIENTATE OECD'S OWN ACTIVITIES.

PROCEDURE

PROCEDURES SHOULD OBVIOUSLY BE FLEXIBLE, HOWEVER EACH SESSION OF THE WORKING PARTY COULD CONSIDER ONE OR TWO AREAS FOR POTENTIAL ACTIVITY. FOR EACH AREA PREPARATORY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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WORK MIGHT INCLUDE AN OUTLINE BY PORTUGAL OF THE CURRENT SITUATION, PLANS, PROJECTS AND SUPPORT NEEDS. THIS COULD BE COMPLEMENTED BY WRITTEN OR ORAL INFORMATION BY COUNTRIES OR AGENCIES ON COMMITMENTS, NEGOTIATIONS OR AREAS OF INTEREST. A THIRD STEP WOULD INVOLVE IDENTIFICATION OF A LIST OF POSSIBLE SUPPORT ACTIONS.

THE WORKING PARTY SHOULD PROBABLY AVOID EXTENDED DIS-

CUSSIONS ON GENERAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTS, BUT COULD
NEVERTHELESS BE KEPT AWARE OF RELEVANT DOCUMENTS
TOUCHING ON THESE ISSUES.

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THE FOLLOWING IS A VERY TENTATIVE LIST OF AREAS FOR
TECHNICAL AND FIHANCIAL SUPPORT (NO PARTICULAR ORDER IS
IMPLIED): LONGER-TERM EXTERNAL FINANCING NEEDS, OVER-
SEAS COMMITMENTS, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION REMODELLING,
INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT AND REORGANIZATION, AGRICULTURAL
PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT AND REORGANIZATION, FISHERIES,
INFRASTRUCTURE (PRIMARILY TRANSPORT), EDUCATION REFORM,
EMIGRATION.

PROFESSIONAL BACK-UP

3 ELEMENTS WILL PROBABLY BE REQUIRED:

- A POINT OF CONTACT IN PORTUGAL TO GATHER AND COORDINATE MATERIAL.

- A POINT OF CONTACT AT OECD, BACKED UP BY APPROPRIATELY KNOWLEDGABLE STAFF AND COMMITTEE SERVICING CAPABILITY.

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- SOME CONSULTANT SUPPORT (IF REQUIRED AND REQUESTED) TO HELP PREPARE MATERIAL.

FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS

2-3 IN 1975 WITH, SAY, 3 MONTHS BETWEEN THEM.

INITIAL MANDATE

ONE YEAR.

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